

Missouri State Library

Show Me *Express*

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Show Me Express features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

November 2018 Library Election Results

Citizens in the Kansas City Public Library District passed a tax increase of \$0.08 to improve library programs, services, collections, and facilities as well as to support general operation of public libraries. The ballot measure passed by a vote of 63,274 YES to 12,588 NO.

Short Takes for Trustees

The Missouri State Library is pleased to announce it has funded FREE access to Short Takes for Trustees for all Missouri public library directors and trustees through 10/31/2019!

Short Takes for Trustees is a series of 10 short videos that can be shown during board meetings to stimulate discussion about the important role trustees play in the governance of their libraries. Each video has a complementary resource packet that provides more information on the topics discussed and may be printed for later reference. Through the contract, access is also available to *Troubled Library Boards: Prevention and Survival*. **We highly encourage all public library directors and their trustees to view the first video, What It Means to Be a Trustee in December 2018.**

To access Short Takes:

- If you have an ALA website login, go to the [ALA website](#) and enter your login and password.

- If you forgot your login or password, go to [Reset Your Password](#) and enter your email address.
- If you do not have a login, go to [Register](#) to create a login and password.

If you experience problems accessing the resource, please visit

<http://connect.ala.org/united/training> or email united@ala.org. This project is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services Act as administered by the Missouri State Library.

Show Me Steps to Continuing Education Grant Opportunities

Show Me Steps to Continuing Education is an LSTA grant program for Missouri library personnel to participate in training opportunities when local funds cannot finance the entire cost. This grant is open to staff from public, school, academic and special libraries. Individuals may attend regional, state or national workshops, conferences, seminars, etc.

Upcoming conferences include, but are not limited to:

- [Electronic Resources and Libraries](#) in Austin, Texas, from March 3-6, 2019
- [The Collective Annual Gathering](#) in Knoxville, Tenn., from March 6-8, 2019
- [Library Technology Conference](#) in St. Paul, Minn., from March 20-21, 2019
- [Computers in Libraries 2019](#) in Arlington, Va., from March 26-28, 2019
- [Power Up Conference](#) in Madison, Wis., from March 28-29, 2019
- [Art Libraries Society of North America](#) in Salt Lake City, Utah, from March 26-30, 2019
- [Association of College and Research Libraries 2019 Conference: Recasting the Narrative](#) in Cleveland, Ohio, from April 10-13, 2019
- [Substance Abuse Librarians & Information Specialists and Association of Mental Health Librarians 2019 Conference](#) in Boston, Maine, from April 23-26, 2019
- [Medical Library Association Annual Conference](#) in Chicago, Ill., from May 3-8, 2019

Libraries also have the option of bringing a trainer to the library for staff in-service training.

Applications for [individual training events](#) are accepted two to nine months prior to the continuing education event. Applications for [group training events](#) are accepted three to 12 months prior. The application forms are available online under [LSTA Grant Application Forms](#).

Questions about the grant program may be directed to Lisa Stock at lisa.stock@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131.

Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities from the State Library

Making a Collection Count – Collection Management Basics Webinar on Thursday, Nov. 29, 2018, from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Make your collection count! This session talks about the overall quality of a library collection. We will follow the life cycle of a collection, from selection, acquisitions, cataloging, and processing all the way to weeding. Most importantly, learn how to measure a collection's quality through various collection reports and metrics. This holistic approach to collection management will help all types and sizes of libraries to keep pace with the demands and expectations of their communities. Register online at [Making a Collection Count](#). Please direct questions to Lisa Stock, Adult Services Consultant, at lisa.stock@sos.mo.gov, or call (573) 526-1087.

Learning About Your Tweens Webinar on Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2019, from 10:00-11:00 AM
Amanda Struckmeyer, former Head of Youth Services at the Middleton (WI) Public Library will provide an overview of today's tweens, as well as resources for providing programs and services to tweens, and examples of successful tween programs for any sized library. It will include information on how to determine the interests of local tweens, as well as how to market, promote, and evaluate programs and services for tweens. Register online at [Learning About Your Tweens](#). Please direct questions to Becky Wilson, Public Library Services Consultant, at becky.wilson@sos.mo.gov, or call (573) 522-9564.

Science and Math in Storytimes on Thursday, Feb. 7, 2019, from 3:00-4:00 PM
Heather Thompson and Heather Love Beverly will provide youth services staff in public libraries of all types, sizes, and budgets with information on easy and fun ways to add science and math concepts into storytime sessions, in order to positively impact early learning. The

presenters will discuss the value of science and math in storytime, as well as provide examples of simple ways to include age appropriate science and math concepts in preschool programs. Register online at [Science and Math in Storytimes](#). Please direct questions to Becky Wilson, Public Library Services Consultant, at becky.wilson@sos.mo.gov, or call (573) 522-9564.

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